

Wisdom Beyond Conventional Knowledge

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Kandahar Air Field, Afghanistan -- While most soldiers of today's military were not even a twinkle in their parents eyes, soldiers of yesterday were far from home fighting on foreign soil in a war for freedom and democracy. Some people paid close attention to every detail of this war, while others went on with life as though thousands of men fighting day after day in order to help Vietnam secure its freedom from communism did not exist. It was 1970 when an unsuspecting twenty-one year old young man, fresh out of high school, got a letter in the mail that would change his life forever.

Chief Warrant Officer

4 Kevin Dillingham, was living it up in State College, Pennsylvania, in his one bedroom apartment. He had a stylish motorcycle and a full time job when he received a letter in the mail notifying him that he had been drafted into the United States Army. Everything that Dillingham had come to know as home and his life as a civilian had come to an end, and thus began the 34 year military chapter of his life. His first step was to report to Ft. Polk, La for basic training.

Dillingham started out his Army career serving as a pilot of a UH-1H Huey Helicopter.

Dillingham served in Vietnam for twenty-two months before his initial enlistment was up.

Shortly afterwards, Dillingham joined the Pennsyl-



CW4 Dillingham stands proudly in front of his bird of choice

vania National Guard to fly CH-54A Sky Crane Helicopters. He flew these gangly bug-like

birds of burden until the Army got rid of them in 1990. One of

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KAF Pool Tourney Brings the Shark out of the Warriors

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Kandahar, Afghanistan—Servicemembers fighting the war on terrorism on Kandahar Air Field (KAF) relish the occasional break in action to let their hair down and

relax for a little while. Morale, Welfare, and Recreational (MWR) Director Beth Sigler is tasked with keeping the troops entertained and has organized a variety of "off-duty" activity. On April 3rd, she sponsored an

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Sgt. Marshall Lenny prepares to shoot as his competitor Staff Sgt. Wyman Loveless--far left--watches on.





3rd ID testing new 'unit of action' at NTC

By Gary Sheftick
April 6, 2004

FORT IRWIN, Calif. (Army News Service, April 6, 2004) - How can fewer tanks, fewer Bradleys and fewer howitzers add up to a more lethal unit?

That's what the Army's first "unit of action" set out to prove at the National Training Center March 26 to April 10.

In the first field test of the new brigade structure, the 2nd UA of the 3rd Infantry Division is also training to return to Iraq. This time last year, many of the Soldiers were charging their armored vehicles victoriously into Baghdad as the 2nd Brigade Combat Team of the 3rd ID.

One difference between the BCT and the new unit of action is the addition of assets that previously belonged to the division. Field artillery, signal, chemical and engineer units that once supported the brigade are now permanently assigned to the UA. Capabilities such as counter-intelligence, human intelligence, and electronic warfare have been moved down to the UA.

"This organization has injected a lot more efficiencies with us and that makes us a lot more combat effective than what we were," said Col. Joseph DiSalvo, 2nd UA commander. "And we were pretty damn combat effective before the reorganization."

Restructuring as a UA brought about a significant change in task organization, DiSalvo said.

Instead of three maneuver battalions, now there will be only two in the UA. The UAs will be modular - each with one infantry battalion and one armored battalion.

As it restructured, the brigade lost a battalion of armor, and that means 44 fewer M-1 Abrams tanks. But a cavalry squadron was added to the UA, and it will eventually become a reconnais-

sance, surveillance and target acquisition squadron, or RSTA. It will replace the brigade reconnaissance troop with more than three times the force.

The 1/9th Field Artillery is also permanently assigned, minus a battery of Paladins that used to support the BCT. The brigade also lost a battery of air defense artillery as it transitioned to a UA.

In the brigade support area, the 26th Forward Support Battalion and elements of the 10th Engineer Battalion are also now assigned to the UA. In the past, the FSB and engineers supported the brigade in combat, but now they're permanent UA assets.

"With people staying here and working here for an extended period of time, you get a good team, a really good team going," said Staff Sgt. Kirk Hill, a communications NCO with the 26th FSB. "Continuity-wise, I know how the other guy works and he knows how I work."

It all adds up to a more self-sufficient and cohesive team, according to a division operations officer. He said UA commanders should have more flexibility and the capability to maneuver elements faster.

A signal company and military intelligence company is also part of the UA. A four-person public affairs section will be part of the UA, and the headquarters will be beefed up by a total of 58 additional personnel.

DiSalvo said the indirect fires of the field artillery combined with intelligence assets make the UA more lethal.

"With these assets, there's a better chance we'll collect the information," DiSalvo said, adding that new equipment such as unmanned aerial vehicles, sensors and communications suites will be fielded with UAs in the future, to further improve combat



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effectiveness.

As for now, DiSalvo and the UA are focused on Iraq. "This is part of our training for OIF-3" he said. "We can't squander it, we only get 14 days."

Army officials announced last month that a newly restructured 3rd Infantry Division would return to Iraq for the next rotation, possibly as early as November.





In 1990 and began flying the CH-47D Chinook Helicopter.

Dillingham has flown an amazing 9,000 accident free hours in rotary wing and fixed wing aircraft in his civilian job as well as in the Army.

As he reflects back to his time spent in Vietnam, Dillingham points out some of the major differences in flying as an aviator in Vietnam and how it differs to flying in today's Army.

"Well, one major thing is the dust," said Dillingham, "We didn't have dust in Vietnam, it was easy to land just by looking out the window. Over here [Afghanistan] the dust is so overwhelming that you can't just look out of the window when landing, it makes you fly off of instruments and panels rather than by eyesight."

Reflecting on his time in Vietnam, Dillingham has a unique perspective and can see the major differences between flying in Vietnam and flying in Operation Enduring Freedom.

"In Vietnam, we had a lot of single ship missions. You

never see any single ship missions going on here," said Dillingham.

Dillingham went on to describe in more detail the differences that he has noticed throughout his time in the Army.

"The Army is a whole lot more professional nowadays. The guys that are in the Army now actually want to be here and are not here just because they were drafted. Our purpose here is much clearer and everyone is on board with the mission."

One point that is made apparent by Dillingham's wise words is that the Army has come a long way and every encounter that it has, it learns, adapts, and overcomes obstacles that stand in the way of the mission's success. With soldiers like Dillingham and his years of experience and wisdom passed along to the young soldiers of today, the Army will always stand ready for any challenge and remain one of the most dominant military forces on the face of the Earth.

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his most memorable missions was fishing an F-4 Phantom out of the Chesapeake Bay.

Once the Army got rid of the mighty Sky Crane, Dillingham had to find another unit to call home. He found G. Co. 104th Aviation (NOMADS).

Kandahar Fire Department Tip of the Week

Fire extinguishers are to be used for emergency purposes only. They need to be in plain view and not obstructed. All extinguishers need to be inspected once a month to check for servcability.

Check to insure that the pull pin seal is intact, and that the pressure gauge is in the green. If the pressure gauge is in the yellow, or leaking agent it is unserviceable and needs to be replace immediately. The base fire department on Air Force hill can exchange extinguishers on a one for one basis.

NOTE: Fire extinguishers are not to be used for putting out controled burns, such as burning classified materials, garden hoses or sand should be used.



Submitted by **MSgt. Kevin Stubbs**, Asst. Fire Chief





World News

Iraqi Insurgents Shoot Down U.S. Copter

By LEE KEATH

Associated Press Writer

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — Insurgents shot down a U.S. Apache attack helicopter in west Baghdad on Sunday, the military said. The fate of its two crewmembers was unknown.

"A 1st Cavalry Apache helicopter was downed by unknown ground fire west of Baghdad at around 11:05 a.m. The condition of the crew is unknown," the spokesman said.

U.S. troops blocked traffic on the main highway out of Baghdad on the western edge. Large palls of black smoke were seen rising from the nearby area of Abu Ghraib, where at least four helicopters were seen hovering overhead.

In a videotape released Saturday, insurgents who kidnapped an American civilian threatened to kill and mutilate him unless U.S. forces withdraw from the city of Fallujah.

Meanwhile, insurgents holding three Japanese hostage said they would be freed in 24 hours. The captors had threatened to burn the civilians alive unless Japan pulled its troops out of Iraq, a demand Japan refused.

The tape of the American, broadcast on the Arab TV station Al-Jazeera, showed him identifying himself as Thomas Hamill, 43, from Mississippi. In other footage with no audio, he stood in front of an Iraqi flag, his expression calm but wary as his captors announced their threat on his life.

His wife, Kellie, contacted at their home in Macon, Miss., confirmed that her husband had been captured. She told The Associated Press he works for the Houston-based engineering and construction

company Kellogg, Brown & Root, a division of Halliburton, and referred all other comment to the employer.

"I am in good shape," the voice-over quoted Hamill as saying. "They were good to me. They gave me antibiotics. I have no idea what is going on Fallujah. I hear there is a siege and people are living in some sort of prison."

"I hope to return home one day, and I want my family to know that these people are taking care of me, and provide me with food, water and a place to sleep."



Hamill stood in front of the red-white-and-black Iraqi flag, its emblazoned slogan "God is great" prominent above his head. His eyes darted back and forth, but he appeared calm.

His captors warned he would meet a worse fate than four American civilians killed in Fallujah on March 31, their bodies burned and mutilated by a mob, unless U.S. forces end their assault on the city "within 12 hours, starting 6 p.m." - 10 a.m. Saturday, EDT.

Hamill was snatched Friday by gunmen who attacked a fuel convoy he was guarding on the main highway on Baghdad's western edge, the latest in a string of kidnappings in Iraq. Footage released earlier Saturday showed him being whisked away in a car, a gunman in the back seat with him waving an automatic weapon.

Brig. Gen. Mark Kimmitt refused to comment Saturday on efforts to free Hamill

or other captives, saying it "would not be helpful to discuss" any plans.

But Sunday evening the hostages had still not been released, according to a Japanese Embassy official in Baghdad, Hiroyuki Oura, who would not say whether they were safe or whether negotiations for their release were ongoing.

"It could take a little longer," Deputy Cabinet Secretary Hiroyuki Hosoda said as he joined other officials at the prime minister's residence. "We are waiting extremely hopefully."

Videotape delivered to Al-Jazeera, as well as Associated Press Television News, on Thursday showed the three Japanese - two aid workers and a journalist - blindfolded and surrounded by armed, masked men dressed in black.

Meanwhile, a group calling itself the "Martyr Ahmed Yassin Brigades" in the city of Ramadi, west of Baghdad and Fallujah, claimed in videotape obtained by APTN to have 30 hostages from a variety of countries.

The footage, also aired on Al-Arabiya TV, showed no images of any hostages, and there was no way to verify the group's claim to be holding "Japanese, Bulgarians, Americans, Israelis, Spanish and Koreans, a total of 30 individuals."

"If the siege of Fallujah is not lifted, we will cut off their heads," a masked man on the videotape said.

Insurgents elsewhere in Iraq have seized a Canadian and an Arab from Jerusalem. A British citizen and two German security officials from their country's embassy in Baghdad are also missing, though it is not known if they have been kidnapped.





Bush's Pre-9/11 al-Qaida Memo Released

By **SCOTT LINDLAW**
Associated Press Writer

CRAWFORD, Texas (AP) — President Bush was told more than a month before the Sept. 11 attacks that al-Qaida had reached America's shores, had a support system in place for its operatives and that the FBI had detected suspicious activity that might involve a hijacking plot.

Since 1998, the FBI had observed "patterns of suspicious activity in this country consistent with preparations for hijackings or other types of attacks," according to a memo prepared for Bush and declassified Saturday. The Aug. 6, 2001 PDB referred to evidence of buildings in New York possibly being cased by terrorists.

The document also said the CIA and FBI were investigating a call to the U.S. embassy in the United Arab Emirates in May 2001 "saying that a group of (Osama) bin Laden supporters was in the U.S. planning attacks with explosives."

The commission investigating the Sept. 11 attacks, which killed nearly 3,000 people in New York City, Washington and Pennsylvania, asked the White House to declassify the document at its meeting Thursday. It is significant because Bush read it, so it offers a window on what Bush and his top aides knew about the threat of a terrorist strike.

The PDB made plain that bin Laden had been scheming to strike the United States for at least six years. It warned of indications from a broad array of sources, spanning several years.

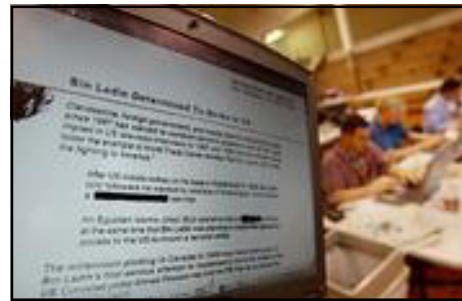
Democratic and Republican members of the 9-11 commission saw the document differently. Democratic commissioner Bob Kerrey, a former senator from Nebraska, said the memo's details should have given Bush enough warning to push for more in-

telligence information about possible domestic hijackings.

"The whole argument the gov-

ernment used that we were focusing overseas, that we thought the attack was coming from outside the United States - this memo said an attack could come in the United States. And we didn't scramble our agencies to that," he said.

Richard Ben-Veniste, a Democratic commissioner and former Watergate prosecutor, said the memo calls into question national security adviser Condoleezza Rice's assertion Thursday that the memo was purely a "historical" document. "This is a provocative piece of information and warrants further exploration as to what was done following the receipt of this information to enhance our domestic security," he said.



The memo's details confirm that the Bush administration had no specific information regarding an imminent attack involving airplanes as missiles, Thompson said. "The PDB backs up what Dr. Rice testified to. There is no smoking gun, not even a cold gun," he said.

"Clandestine, foreign government, and media reports indicate bin Laden since 1997 has wanted to conduct terrorist attacks in the U.S.," the memo to Bush stated. Bin Laden implied in U.S. television interviews in 1997 and 1998 that his followers would follow the example of World Trade Center bomber Ramzi Yousef and "bring the fighting to America."

After President Clinton launched missile strikes on bin Laden's base in Afghanistan in 1998 in retaliation for bombings of U.S. embassies in Kenya and Tanzania that killed 231 people, "bin Laden told followers he wanted to retaliate in Washington," the

memo said.

Efforts to launch an attack from Canada around the time of millennium celebrations in 2000 "may have been part of bin Laden's first serious attempt to implement a terrorist strike in the U.S.," the document stated.

Convicted plotter Ahmed Ressaam, who was caught trying to cross the Canadian border with explosives about 60 miles north of Seattle in late 1999, told the FBI that he alone conceived an attack on Los Angeles International Airport, but that bin Laden lieutenant Abu Zubaydah "encouraged him and helped facilitate the operation," the document said. Ressaam is still awaiting sentencing after agreeing to testify in other terrorism cases. "The group apparently maintains a support structure that could aid attacks," it warned.

The document said that "some of the more sensational threat reporting" - such as an intelligence tip in 1998 that bin Laden wanted to hijack aircraft to win the release of fellow extremists - could not be corroborated.

On May 15, 2001, a caller to the U.S. embassy in the United Arab Emirates warned of planned bin Laden attacks with explosives in the United States, but did not say where or when.

The CIA reported the incident to other government officials the next day, and a dozen or more steps were taken by the CIA and other agencies "to run down" the information from the phone call, senior administration officials said Saturday evening.

One official said references to al-Qaida in prior presidential briefings "would indicate 'they are here, they are there' in various countries and the CIA director would tell the president what was being done to address "these different operations."





THE SPORTS

Mickelson Wins Masters by One Stroke

By DOUG FERGUSON
AP Golf Writer

AUGUSTA, Ga. (AP)—Phil Mickelson's agonizing pursuit of a major ended Sunday at the Masters when he made an 18-foot birdie putt on the final hole, a spectacular conclusion to a back-nine duel with Ernie Els.

Gone is that ugly streak of being 0-for-42 in golf's biggest events. Gone are questions about Mickelson's game and whether it could stand up to the scrutiny of a major championship.

He delivered a command performance to the very end, with two birdies on the final three holes for a 3-under 69 that gave him a one-stroke victory over Els. The putt curled into the back of the hole, setting off an enormous cheer. Mickelson jumped and thrust his fists, then kissed his ball when he plucked it from the cup.

"Oh my God!" he said as he walked off the green and into the arms of his wife and three children.

Until Sunday, he was known as the best player to have never won a major. Now, he's simply one of the best in the game. His awesome skills were on full display along the back nine at Augusta National, and they had to be. Els was flawless, making two eagles in his round of 67 that looked as though it would be enough to get the green jacket he covets, and the third leg of the Grand Slam.

But Mickelson was more determined than ever. He rattled off three straight birdies to stay in range, caught Els with a 15-foot birdie putt on the 16th and then had the stage to himself on No. 18. Despite a half-dozen close calls in the majors, Mickelson had never come to the final hole with a share of the lead. He never had the final say.

On this day, he refused to let his chance get away. He smartly played 3-wood off the tee to avoid the bunkers and hit his approach behind the hole. Mickelson got a huge break



with Chris DiMarco blasted out of a greenside bunker and just beyond Mickelson's ball marker, giving him the line on the biggest putt of his life.

"I just couldn't believe that ball fell in there," Mickelson said.

Before walking into the scoring hut to sign his card, Mickelson held daughter Amanda and said, "Daddy won. Can you believe it?"

Mickelson, who shot a 31 on the back, finished at 9-under 279. Mike Weir, whose victory last year made him the first southpaw to win the Masters, slipped the green jacket on the most famous Lefty in golf.

Tiger Woods was long gone before the fireworks started. He made a double bogey - his third of the tournament - on the 13th hole and shot 71, leaving him 11 shots out of the lead in a tie for 22nd, his worst finish ever at the Masters. Woods now has gone seven majors without winning, and he has played his last five over par.

With aces and eagles, so many spectacular shots along the back nine that the gallery was out of breath, it came down to Mickelson and Els in a duel as good as any at a major championship.

"Baby!" Mickelson said as he trotted off the green, tied for the lead with two holes to

play.

Playing the final hole, Els hit into a bunker so deep he could only see the hazy sky. He blasted out and said, "Be right!" and it stopped some 25 feet behind the cup. His birdie putt turned just left of the hole.

Els was on the practice green, preparing for a playoff, when he heard the loudest roar of the day. Mickelson made the putt. Mickelson won the Masters.

"Having it be such a tough quest, struggle, journey ... it feels that much better," Mickelson said. He became only the fourth player to win the Masters on a birdie putt at No. 18.

"Get used to me, because I'm going to be back every year," he told the Augusta National members in green jackets, just like the one finally draped over his shoulders. It wasn't easy - not over the last 12 years, not over the last 12 holes.

Suddenly, the Masters was as wild as ever. Despite two sloppy bogeys out of bunkers, Els shot into the lead and took control with a 15-foot birdie putt on No. 7, then one of the purest shots of the day - a long iron that caught enough of the slope at No. 8 to feed down to 6 feet for an eagle.

Mickelson couldn't help but hear it all. First came the cheers for him - "It's your year, Phil. Make it happen!" - one man shouted. Then came the roars from all corners of the course.

The last cheer was for him. That was a first.





THE SPORTS

Connecticut Sweep is Twice as Nice!!

BY NOREEN GILLESPIE

STORRS, Conn. (AP)—A second NCAA basketball title brought a second night of rowdy celebration at the University of Connecticut.

Two hours after the women's basketball team won its third straight championship, fans overturned two cars and set one of them on fire Tuesday night at an apartment complex about a mile from campus. There were no reports of injuries.

It was at the same apartment complex Monday night, after the men's basketball team won its second title in five years, where revelers overturned two cars and set several bonfires. Police arrested 35 people on and off campus after the men's game.

UConn police reported about five arrests early Wednesday. The exact charges were not immediately available.

Several thousand people who watched



the women's game on large screen televisions in Gampel Pavilion spilled out onto the UConn campus. Fans set a small bonfire outside the arena, yelled, waved pompoms, jumped on a TV satellite truck and climbed trees.

"It's history in the making," said Leticia Flowers, a sociology major.

"It's domination just like Taurasi said," said Charmaine Smith, referring to UConn star Diana Taurasi, the tournament MVP.

The UConn women beat Tennessee 70-61 in New Orleans, a night after the men defeated Georgia Tech 82-73 for the title in San Antonio. No other university has won both titles in the same year.

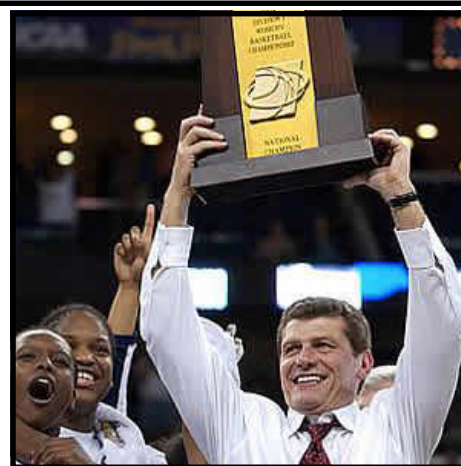
Tuesday night's celebrations were more subdued than the ones after the men's championship game.

"It is a very well controlled celebration," UConn police Maj. Ron Blicher said early Wednesday, before fans overturned the cars.

The women's team was expected to arrive at Bradley International Airport at about 3:30 p.m. Wednesday and take center stage at a pep rally at Gampel Pavilion at 5:30 p.m.

Earlier in the day, thousands of boisterous fans welcomed the men's basketball team home at the airport and a rally at Gampel, home of Huskies basketball.

Emeka Okafor, the Huskies' star center and the most outstanding player of the men's Final Four, was weary from the trip back to Storrs on Tuesday. He hadn't had much sleep, and he was still finding the



accomplishment somewhat unbelievable.

"We were actually in the championship game and we actually won the dang thing," Okafor said. "We made a lot of people proud."

When Ben Gordon got on stage to address the Gampel crowd of 5,500, the arena erupted into chants of "One more year." Gordon, a junior guard, was expected to forgo his senior year for the pros.

"I just want to thank everyone in this building," Gordon said. "It's been a great three years here."

Men's coach Jim Calhoun, the architect of the Huskies' two national titles, was greeted with shouts of "Hall of Fame." He learned on Monday that he had fallen one vote short of being inducted into the Basketball Hall of Fame.





HEADLINERS



Inmate Allegedly Hides Cocaine Under Fat

OKEECHOBEE, Fla. (AP) — An obese inmate was caught hiding crack cocaine in a cigar holder under a roll of fat beneath his stomach, jail officials said Wednesday.

Another inmate told jail officials that 6-foot-2 Jonathan Wilson, who weighs 350 pounds, had the drugs, according to an Okeechobee County sheriff's report.

A deputy was unable to find any drugs on 27-year-old Wilson

in a strip search, the Daily Okeechobee News reported. But a second search "located a small brown cylinder that is used to carry cigars concealed in a fat roll at the bottom of inmate Wilson's stomach," the report said.

The tube contained about 1.9 grams of suspected cocaine.

Jailed on sale and possession of cocaine charges, Wilson faces an additional charge for introduction of contraband into a detention facility.

Thief Returns Car After 'Texting' Apology

SYDNEY, Australia (AP) — A distraught woman used cell phone text messages to persuade a repentant thief to return her stolen car, a newspaper reported Wednesday.

Lee Alaban, 34, of Port Macquarie had her Holden Commodore sedan stolen while she was at work on March 30, The Daily Telegraph newspaper reported.

Her 13-year-old son's cell phone was in

the car, so Alaban sent text messages to the thief. She explained that the car was a gift from her father shortly before he died and that presents for her son's birthday, which was on the following day, were in its trunk.

"We exchanged a number of text messages," Alaban told the newspaper. "He started apologizing and I felt I was getting through. Next thing, I got this text saying he will return the car."

The thief wrote another text message telling her where to find the car, which he abandoned in a parking lot - but not before stealing the cell phone and the birthday presents.

Alaban was so pleased to get her car back, she even sent a final tongue-in-cheek text.

"If I ever lock myself out of my car, I'll send you a message," she wrote.

Man Accused of Fatally Place-Kicking Dog

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — A man has been charged with killing his neighbor's 2-pound miniature Yorkshire terrier by place-kicking it into the air like a football. Chad Daniel Crawford, 23, was booked on charges of cruelty to animals and felony vandalism. He was freed after posting \$25,000 bond. Jelani Lewis and Jessica McKenzie said they were shocked and outraged by the death of their 17-year-old dog, Gizmo. Lewis was on the grounds of his apartment complex Tuesday when he said he saw one of three men holding the dog like a football.

"The other one backed up and kicked him like a place-kicker," said Lewis, who

couldn't get there fast enough to save his pet.

Gizmo flew through the air in a high arc, hit the pavement and rolled a few feet beneath a parked car. The dog was dead when he hit the ground and the men were laughing, Lewis said.

"I didn't believe that they kicked my dog," Lewis told The Tennessean newspaper. "When I saw him kick it, I was thinking, maybe for a second, 'No, that isn't Gizmo.'"

Lewis said he chased the men and caught Crawford, then made him pick up Gizmo's body and take it upstairs to McKenzie. Lewis said he held Crawford until police arrived. Only Crawford has been charged.

Contacted by telephone at his home, Crawford said the accusations against him were false. He declined further comment and said he was trying to contact an attorney.

"There is an obvious question about the mental makeup of someone who would do a thing like this to a tiny animal," said Judy Ladebauche, Metro Animal Control Director. "This is heartbreaking. I've seen horrific things - but not like this."

Ladebauche said she would ask prosecutors to upgrade the charges against Crawford to the state's newly created aggravated animal cruelty charge. Under the new law, a conviction can result in a court-ordered mental evaluation for the offender and a second offense is a felony.



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eight ball pool tournament where 43 KAF troops vied for the championship title. After playing for some four hours into the night, the field was narrowed to eight contenders. Play resumed mid day on the 4th, where the competition became more intense as the contenders battled it out until only two remained for the championship match.

Sgt. Marshall Lenny with 3-162 ADA took on a steely-eyed Staff Sgt. Wyman Loveless. Loveless, the Chaplains Assistant for 10th Mountain, 1st Brigade, took a commanding lead from the start. His play was flawless as he sank ball after ball, until a missed shot on the eight ball let Lenny back into the match. Lenny, in a superb display of pool-shark wizardry, made a valiant run in what looked to be a certain upset. Lady luck however, abandoned him as he watched the cue-ball fall into the side pocket for a scratch on his final shot. Loveless, amazed at the opportunity for another chance, showed no love in sinking the eight ball this time for the win and tournament championship.

The two shook hands in a warm gesture of mutual respect and sportsmanship and an elated Loveless claimed his winner's prize from an assortment of selections. The tournament is one of a number of activities Sigler has scheduled










Staff Sgt. Loveless sizes up a shot in the championship match.

for soldiers, including Table Tennis, Volleyball, Movie Nights, and Talent Shows to name a few.

Editors Note: Contact Beth Sigler at 841-1137 or visit the MWR tent for a calendar of scheduled activities.

KANDAHAR WEEKLY FORECAST

	Monday 12 April	Tuesday 13 April	Wednesday 14 April	Thursday 15 April	Friday 16 April	Saturday 17 April	Sunday 18 April
							
	Partly Sunny	Partly Cloudy	Partly Cloudy	Partly Cloudy	Partly Cloudy	Partly Cloudy	Partly Cloudy
High	84	85	89	88	89	91	92
Low	60	58	58	57	57	59	61
Sun- Rise	0112	0111	0109	0108	0107	0106	0105
Sun- Set	1403	1404	1405	1405	1406	1407	1407

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